

A BILL

FOR AN ACT RELATIVE TO PUBLIC PRINTING IN COUNTIES.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa,* That the board of
2 supervisors of each county shall publish, for three consecutive weeks prior to their first regu-
3 lar meeting in January of each year, a notice to the effect that sealed proposals will be re-
4 ceived by said board, at said meeting, from publishers of newspapers within the county, if
5 more than one be published therein, for doing the public printing required by said county,
6 said printing to include the publishing of the delinquent tax list, proceedings of the board,
7 and all other public printing of whatever kind, the publishing of which is to be paid out of
8 the county treasury, except blank forms and blank books, for doing which proposals may be
9 received from any party; and the notice asking for sealed proposals shall be published in two
10 newspapers of the county representing different political parties, if such be published therein.

SEC. 2. If, at the regular meeting in January, no proposals have been received by said
2 board, then the board shall select the newspaper of the county having the largest *bona fide*
3 circulation within said county to do the public printing thereof, but the rates to be paid for
4 such printing shall not be greater than the legal rates fixed by the laws of the state; or if
5 only one proposal be received by the board, and the rates so proposed are greater than those
6 allowed by the state, then the board shall act as if no proposals had been made.

SEC. 3. Each proposal shall be accompanied by a bond, conditioned for the faithful per-
2 formance of the work, and the amount of bond required shall be fixed by the board, and
3 shall be specified in the notice inviting proposals.

SEC. 4. All proposals to do said printing, accompanied with the required bond, shall be
2 filed with the auditor of the county at least three days before the meeting of the board at
3 which they are to be acted upon; and the board, at its regular meeting in January, after
4 having opened and examined said proposals, shall award the contract to do said printing to
5 the lowest responsible bidder therefor.

SEC. 4. All acts or parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed.